

Bomb scare reminds New Jersey residents to stay vigilant

Toms River, NJ -- Congressman John Adler, who represents families that commute to metropolitan New York and Philadelphia, today applauded a New York City-based street vendor and the City's Police Department for helping avoid a potential catastrophe in Times Square. Late last night, police responded to a street vendor's tip of a suspicious vehicle emitting smoke. The vehicle was found to contain explosives and an apparent detonating device. Thankfully, the vehicle was disarmed and taken away with no injuries.

"A deep debt of gratitude goes to a vigilant citizen and our brave first responders," Congressman John Adler said. "By staying alert, local families did not suffer injury or harm. We continue to live in a dangerous world and we must continue to do all we can to aid our local first responders against terroristic threats."

Congressman Adler has been a strong proponent of increasing homeland security and first responder funding. He supported the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and the 2010 Department of Homeland Security budget, which provided significant increases in funding for local police, firefighters, border protection and homeland security grants.